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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Project Director of Administration

**SUBJECT :** Status of Systems I Through VI

**REFERENCES :** A. Memorandum for the Record, dated 20 December, same subject (SAPC-22677)  
B. Memorandum for Project Director, dated 6 December 1957, subject "Forthcoming Elimination of Systems I and III (SAPC-22159)

1. I believe [redacted] memorandum (Reference A.) contains the full answers to your inquiry about the further use of Ramo-Wooldridge personnel in the field (Reference B.) I will add only the following remarks to [redacted]

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2. First, although I have agreed in principle with [redacted] that Commo may ultimately have the capability to perform field operation and maintenance of all electronics systems, you will note that [redacted] does not expect that he will be able to assume these responsibilities with respect to System IV until January 1959 at least. I feel this is equivalent to saying that for the present the maintenance of System IV will be the responsibility of Ramo-Wooldridge personnel but that we hope Commo will eventually be able to take over this responsibility.

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3. Second, with respect to the other electronics systems, I have made the decision described by [redacted] but as [redacted] is aware, this is to be the subject of one final discussion between [redacted] and myself to make sure that Commo is planning communications arrangements which are fully adequate to the task.

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4. Third, I have specifically advised [redacted] that I think we should consider whether, to insure adequate operation and maintenance of electronics equipment, [redacted] should be added to the T/O of each Detachment, perhaps to replace [redacted] Commo technicians. If this should seem desirable I would still prefer that the engineers be furnished by Commo but it might be necessary at least in the interim period to recruit [redacted] engineers from R-W.

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